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Visualizing Our Book Shelves: How We Took Harvard's Stack View And Made It Our Own

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Stack View



A virtual shelf

Stack View is a book visualization and browsing tool. This jQuery plugin turns metadata into a browsable stack of books.

Stack View is drawn with CSS. When possible, the height of the book is based on the actual height of the object and the width is calculated using the page count. The color can be based on any data from ratings and rankings to library checkouts. The darker the color the higher the rating.

JSON data

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1.  {
2.    "title": "Blankets",
3.    "creator": [
4.      "Craig Thompson"
5.    ],
6.    "measurement_page_numeric": 582,
7.    "measurement_height_numeric": 25,
8.    "shelfrank": 13,
9.    "pub_date": "2003",
10.   "link": "http://holliscatalog.harvard.edu/?
    itemid=|library/m/aleph|009189638"
11. }
```

Becomes a virtual object





Wayne State University Libraries Stack View

A book visualization and browsing tool—a virtual shelf

A history of Wayne State University in photographs / Evelyn Aschenbrenner ; with an introduction by Charles K. Hyde and a foreword by Bill McGraw.

[View Catalog Record](#)

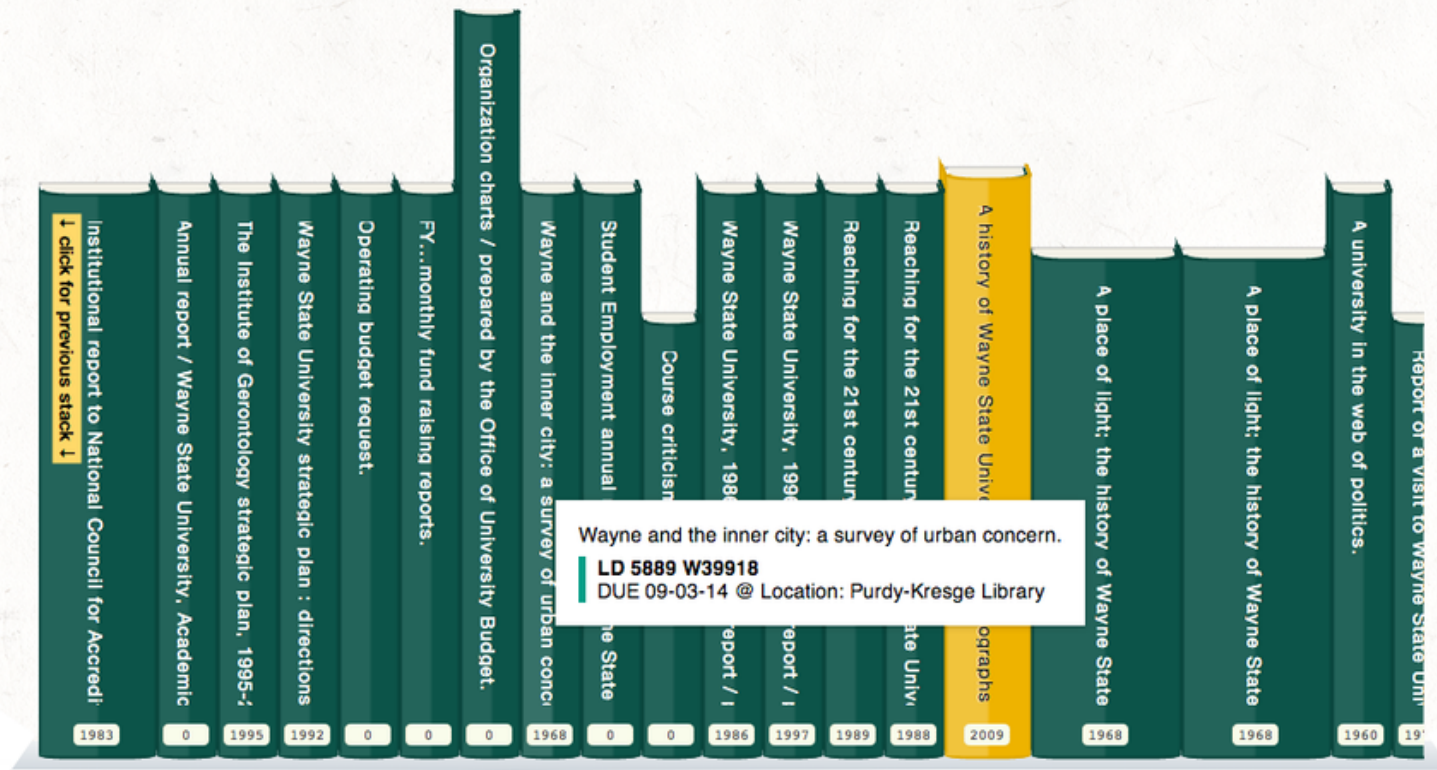
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Modified and developed from the Harvard Library Innovation Lab Stackview project

TECHNOLOGIES

BACKEND

Z3950 | Built with PHP | Uses PHP YAZ Toolkit | Linux Server

FRONT-END

Harvard's Stack View display | jQuery | CSS | HTML | PHP

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QUESTIONS?

Github: <http://github.com/WSULib/SVCatConnector>

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